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APPLICATION ELEMENTS (37 CFR 1.173)

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/56)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification and Claims in double column copy of patent format (amended, if appropriate)
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (proposed amendments, if appropriate)
5. ☐ Reissue Oath/Declaration (original or copy)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.175) (PTO/SB/51 or 52)
6. ☐ Power of Attorney
7. Original U.S. Patent currently assigned? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(If Yes, check applicable box(es))
 - ☒ Written Consent of all Assignees (PTO/SB/53)
 - ☒ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement (PTO/SB/96)
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9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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 - ii ☐ paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

10. ☒ Statement of status and support for all changes to the claims. See 37 CFR 1.173 (c).
11. ☐ Original U.S. Patent for surrender
 - ☐ Ribbioned Original Patent Grant
 - ☐ Statement of Loss (PTO/SB/55)
12. ☒ Foreign Priority Claim (35 U.S.C. 119)
(if applicable)
13. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
14. ☐ English Translation of Reissue Oath/Declaration
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15. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
16. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
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Claims in Patent	For	Number Filed in Reissue Application	(3) Number Extra	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity		
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(A) 16	Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(j))	(B) 23	**** 3 =	x \$	=	or x \$ 18 =	54	
(C) 6	Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(D) 11	* 5 =	x \$	=	x \$ 80 =	400	
Basic Fee (37 CFR 1.16(h))					\$		\$ 710	
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Claims as Amended - Part 2								
	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Extra Claims Present	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
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For: **Reissue of U.S. Patent 5,937,095**

Entitled: METHOD FOR ENCODING AND DECODING MOVING PICTURE SIGNALS

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STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES UNDER 37 CFR 1.173(C)

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Sir:

The present broadening Reissue Application is being filed within two years of the issue date of U.S. Patent 5,937,095.

Applicant's invention is set forth in the issued claims as changed and amended herein as well as in the newly submitted claims 17-23.

As set forth by applicant, the present Broadening Reissue Application, being filed within two years of the issue date of the subject patent, is provided in order to claim facets of the invention which, by error and without deceptive intent, were not previously claimed. More specifically, the method of decoding an encoded bit stream as set forth in claims 17-18 and 21-23, the method of encoding digital motion picture signals of a frame as recited in claim 19, and the method of encoding and decoding digital motion picture signals of a frame as recited in claim 20 were not previously claimed.

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT UNDER 37 CFR 1.173(C)

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.173(C), support for the various changes provided herein is identified as follows.

Each of the patent claims 1-16 is presently pending, as is each of the newly added claims 17-23.

The changes to claims 1-13 correct syntactical, grammatical and idiomatic errors and, as such, are supported by the specification.

The changes to claims 14-16 are made to provide proper conformity with the respective antecedent claims thereof. Thus, the change to claim 14 is supported by the antecedent recitation at lines 7-8 in claim 6 of "time position information".

The changes to claims 15 and 16 conforms the nature of the recited method, as one for "encoding and decoding", to that of the respective antecedent claims 14 and 6.

Support for the features of the newly submitted claims is found as follows:

a) A "method for decoding an encoded bitstream" as recited in new claims 17-18 and 21-23 is found in the specification, for example in the portion beginning at col. 6, line 47 and as illustrated at Fig. 7.

b) Specifying spatial position information of a subframe is supported:

i) in the Abstract at line 11;

ii) at SFNS 18 in Fig. 6; at col. 6, lines 36-38; at Fig. 7; at col. 6, lines 55-57 and at col. 7, lines 4-10.

c) Detecting a conflict and implementing the procedures recited in claim 22 is supported by the third decision step of Fig. 7 ("Is any conflict in SFNT & SFNS?").

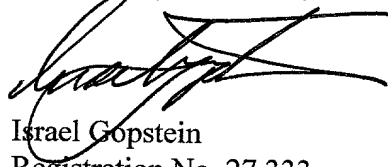
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d) Detecting a conflict and implementing the procedures recited in claim 23 is supported by the fourth decision step of Fig. 7 ("Is any conflict in the decoding of the block layer?").

e) Synchronization of a subframe layer without decoding the current encoded subframe or the current block layer" in claims 22-23 is supported at col. 7, lines 16.

Based on the foregoing, it is requested that Patent 5,937,095 be reissued as hereinabove set forth.

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